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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: SYRIAN PREPARATION OF MIDDLE EAST

ISSUES FOR NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT

1. FONMIN DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS KAYLANI
TOLD CHARGE JULY 26 THAT HIS OFFICE HAD COMPLETED DRAFT
MIDDLE EAST POSITION PAPER TO BE PRESENTED TO NON-ALIGNED
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SUMMIT. COPIES WERE READY TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL NON-

ALIGNED MEMBERS. HE DESCRIBED MAIN POINTS OF PAPER AS FOLLOWS:

(A) SUPPORT FOR JANUARY UNSC RESOLUTION ON MIDDLE EAST.

(B) APPEAL TO MEMBER STATES TO "TAKE A MORAL POSITION" BY APPLYING NON-ALIGNED DECISIONS ON ME IN THEIR OWN RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. KAYLANI HERE COMMENTED THAT SOME NON-ALIGNED STATES STILL MAINTAINED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AND CLOSE ECONOMIC TIES WITH ISRAEL.

(C) CALL TO APPLY THE SAME SANCTIONS UNDER UN CHARTER TO ISRAEL AS AFRICAN STATES WISHES APPLIED TO SOUTH AFRICA.

(D) CALL FOR NON-ALIGNED UN MEMBERS TO SUPPORT PROMPT UNSC CONSIDERATION OF FOREGOING POINTS.

2. KAYLANI SAID THAT HIS OFFICE HAS ALSO PREPARED POSITION PAPER ON PALESTINE BUT IT HAD YET TO BE COORDINATED WITH PLO. HE SAID HE WAS WAITING FOR CURRENT SYRIAN-PALESTINIAN TALKS TO BE CONCLUDED SO THAT HE COULD GET TOGETHER WITH PLO EXCOM MEMBER ABU MAYZAR FOR THIS PURPOSE.

3. ON QUESTION OF ISRAELI EXPULSION, KAYLANI REVIEWED HISTORY OF EXPULSION ISSUE LAST YEAR AND DESCRIBED CURRENT STATE OF PLAY AS FOLLOWS:

ISLAMIC FONMINS CONFERENCE AT ISTANBUL LAST MAY PASSED RESOLUTION CALLING FOR EXPULSION (SEE DAMASCUS 3074) AND PLO STRONGLY SUPPORTS PROMOTION OF THIS RESOLUTION BEFORE NON-ALIGNED SUMMIT, EGYPT, ON OTHER HAND, FAVORS THE LIMA FORMULA. KAYLANI PREDICTED ISSUE WOULD NOT BE DECIDED UNTIL ARAB FONMINS CONVENED JUST PRIOR TO SUMMIT CONFERENCE AND GAVE HIS PERSONAL OPINION THAT THEIR DECISION WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF THE EGYPTIAN (LIMA) FORMULATION. HE SAID, "WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A DIFFICULT ENOUGH TIME GETTING OUR POSITION ON SANCTIONS ADOPTED WITHOUT TAKING ON THE EXPULSION ISSUE."

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4. COMMENT:

KAYLANI'S COMMENTS SHOULD NOT RPT NOT AT THIS POINT BE TAKEN AS AN INDICATION OF POSITION SARG WILL TAKE ON EXPULSION ISSUE.

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